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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the office action mailed July 9, 2004 from the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the above-identified patent application. Please make the following changes:

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